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March 31, 2009

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

APPOINTMENT AND SALARY FOR ACTING COUNTY COUNSEL (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

This is to obtain approval to appoint Robert Kalunian as Acting County Counsel.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- Approve the appointment of Robert Kalunian to serve as Acting County Counsel effective March 31, 2009, and until such time that a County Counsel is appointed by your Board.
- 2. Approve a salary adjustment for Robert Kalunian to an annual salary of \$234,591, effective with his appointment as Acting County Counsel, March 31, 2009, and throughout the period he serves as County Counsel.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Mr. Raymond Fortner, County Counsel, has announced his intention to retire from County service effective March 30, 2009. To ensure the duties and responsibilities of this critical position are carried out without interruption, and to ensure that this position is filled in an efficient and expeditious manner, we request that your Board approve these recommendations.

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Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Approval of these recommendations will further the County of Los Angeles Strategic Plan's Goal of Operational Effectiveness to enhance the quality and productivity of the County workforce.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The cost will be absorbed in the County Counsel's budget. The recommended salary reflects an 8.25 percent increase for Robert Kalunian while he is performing these duties.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The recommended salary adjustment will provide appropriate compensation to Robert Kalunian for the time period that he serves as Acting County Counsel. The adjustment is in conformance with the County of Los Angeles Strategic Plan's Goal of Operational Effectiveness to enhance the quality and productivity of the County workforce.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

Implementation of this recommendation will provide leadership for the Office of the County Counsel. Recruitment efforts are underway to identify potential candidates for this position.

Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM T FUJIOKA

Chief Executive Officer

c: **County Counsel**

Director of Personnel

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